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METHOD FOR CALCULATION OF

AMOUNT OF LENS SHIFT, PROGRAM

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Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 119, Applicants' claim to the benefit of filing of prior Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-357457, filed November 24, 2000, is hereby confirmed.

A certified copy of the above-referenced application is enclosed.

Respectfully/sub/mitted,

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